

City Calendar

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Art In The Hall • "Inspired" by Foothills Painters

April - May 8a-5p @ City Hall

April 27 5p Reception @ City Hall

City Council Meeting

Monday, 5/1

6p @ City Hall

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Thursday, 5/4

7:30p @ CoMMA

Spring Tractor Show and Swap Meet

Friday, 5/5 & Saturday, 5/6

8a-6p @ Catawba Meadows

Martha's Park Splash Pad Opens

Friday, 5/26

Weather permitting

Collett Street Pool Opens

Saturday, 5/27

Weather permitting

Etta Baker Statue Reveal & Concert

Thursday, 5/25

5:30p @ CoMMA - 6pm, David Holt & The Lighting Bolts

Art In The Hall • Uni4 Artists

June - July 8a-5p @ City Hall

June 22 5p Reception @ City Hall

City Council Meeting

Monday, 6/5

6p @ City Hall

Red, White, & Bluegrass Festival

Saturday, 7/1 - Sunday, 7/3

@ Catawba Meadows

www.redwhiteandbluegrassfestival.org

Independence Day Celebration

Tuesday, 7/4

5p @ Catawba Meadows

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Council approves CDBG loans for downtown shops

The Morganton City Council recently approved two small business loans to help local entrepreneurs open up businesses in downtown Morganton.

In March, Council approved a \$15,000 CDBG Small Business Loan to Michael Lowther. Lowther is planning to open Overmountain Cycles at 313 N. Green St. in downtown. He plans to sell bikes; cycling accessories, bike repair services, and coffee at the shop's coffee bar.

"If it wasn't for the loans, I probably wouldn't be able to open this business," Lowther said.

Lowther also received a loan from Valdese Economic Development Investment Corporation (VEDIC).

In April, Council approved a \$15,000 CDBG Small Business Loan to Alexander Brooke Boutique, located at 115 N. Sterling St. The shop will offer reasonably priced, boutique brand "mommy and me clothing" for babies, teen girls, and women. They will also do monogramming and offer a plus-size line.

Online at <http://bit.ly/2nmQzeb> and <http://bit.ly/2nlmHZg>.



Michael Lowther's cycle shop, Overmountain Cycles, will be located at 313 N. Green St.



Lindsey Ruggles stands in front of 115 N. Sterling St., the future home of Alexander Brooke Boutique.



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Nominations still open for Citizens of the Year!

Nominations for the City of Morganton Citizen of the Year Award have been extended through June 26, 2017!

The Citizen of the Year awards recognize adult and young citizens for outstanding volunteer service and honors those who selflessly give of their time and make a difference in their community.

Awards are given in three categories - Adult Citizen, Senior High Citizen, and Middle School Citizen.

Read more and download the nomination packet at <http://bit.ly/2oPghM9>.



Splash pad and Collett Street pool open in May

The Splash Pad at Martha's Park and the Collett Street Outdoor Pool will open the last weekend in May, weather permitting.

The Splash Pad is planned to open Friday, May 26, and the Outdoor Pool is planned

to open Saturday, May 27.

When the Collett Street Outdoor Pool opens, the hours at the Morganton Aquatic Center change.

Call 828-438-5350 for more information; visit www.morgantonnc.gov.

HOLIDAY GARBAGE Schedule 2017



New Year's Day • Monday, Jan. 2

No pick up Monday. Collection on a one-day delay all week.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday • Monday, Jan. 16

No pick up Monday. Collection on a one-day delay all week.

Good Friday • Friday, April 14

Garbage collection will be on regular schedule.

Memorial Day • Monday, May 29

No pick up Monday. Collection on a one-day delay all week.

Independence Day • Tuesday, July 4

Monday's route on regular schedule. No pickup Tuesday. Collection on a one-day delay the rest of the week.

Labor Day • Monday, Sept. 4

No pick up Monday. Collection will be on a one-day delay all week.

Veteran's Day • Friday, Nov. 10

Garbage collection will be on regular schedule.

Thanksgiving Holiday • Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23 and 24

Collection will be on schedule Monday through Wednesday. THURSDAY'S ROUTE WILL BE COLLECTED A DAY EARLY ON WEDNESDAY.

Christmas Holiday • Observed Monday, Dec. 25, and Tuesday, Dec. 26

No pick up Monday. Collection on a one-day delay all week.

New Year's Day 2018 • Monday, Jan. 1, 2018

No pick up Monday. Collection on a one-day delay all week.

Downtown Morganton and Historic Morganton Festival, Inc. present ...



FREE FRIDAY NIGHT CONCERTS IN DOWNTOWN MORGANTON

MAY, JUNE, JULY • www.morgantonfest.org

Bands play from 7 to 10 pm, food and beverage vendors open at 6 pm.

Downtown Morganton's TGIF Free Friday night concert series runs May through July! Bring your friends and family, a lawn chair or blanket, and have a good time! **RAIN OR SHINE!**

- 5/5 RED DIRT REVELATORS** *BLUES/ROCK*
+ MORGANTON MOTOR CLUB CRUISE-IN
Opener: Blind Justus - Classic Rock
- 5/26 THE ROADRUNNERZ** *CLASSIC ROCK*
FAMILY NIGHT BENEFITING D.A.R.E.
Opener: The Charlatan Basement Blues Revue - Blues
- 5/19 THE ALLIGATORS** *BLUES*
Opener: Jessie Rose - R&B and Country
- 6/2 VIRGINIA & THE SLIMS** *SWING*
+ MORGANTON MOTOR CLUB CRUISE-IN
Opener: Brooke Hartman - Pop & Country
- 6/9 ORGANIC DAPTONES** *FUNK*
Opener: Michael Hefner - Americana
- 6/16 ALMOST VINTAGE** *CLASSIC ROCK*
Opener: Ray Shook Band - Southern Rock
- 6/23 THROWDOWN JONES** *ROCK*
Opener: Matt Hogan - Alternative Rock
- 7/7 JJ HIPPS** *BLUES*
+ MORGANTON MOTOR CLUB CRUISE-IN
Opener: Alberta Hall - R&B, Blues & Gospel
- 7/14 CHRIS CATES & THE MASTERPLAN** *CLASSIC ROCK*
Opener: Neil Saunders - Variety
- 7/21 BOBBY DARRIN** *COUNTRY*
Opener: Fat Daddy Reed and
the Family Band - Country & Blues
- 7/28 OUTSHYNE** *COUNTRY*
Opener: Cross Cut - Bluegrass/Folk
- 8/4 SWEET REVENGE** *CLASSIC ROCK*
Opener: Taylor Hensley - Blues and Classic Pop

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